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A method for inhibiting the degradation of mammalian natriuretic peptides, in particular, BNP by using containers wherein the face coming into contact with specimens are made of a material capable of inhibiting the activation of a substance degrading peptides. This method makes it possible to collect specimens for measuring natriuretic peptides stably and conveniently .

Also provided is a method for measuring natriuretic peptides by using these containers.